5. About 2,200 square metres of pathways which were of flag stones and were subsequently damaged and replaced by 'morram', have,been relaid in accordance with the original design. The shell plaster on the walls of Mumtaz Mahal, Rang Mahal, Hamma, which had peeled off, has been refixed.

6. All the 23 red sandstone Jali-windows, which had broken, have been remade and refixed.

7. Diwan-I-Khas Mahal, Naubat-Khana, Tehkhana, too, have been restored to their old glory.

8. The old underground passage to the Yamuna River Front, under the Musamman Burj, has been cleared and opened on the Ring Road side.

9. A special treatment has been accorded to a virtually unknown baoli-step-well-which hides a small but an inspiring part of history of our freedom struggle.

10. A new underground Ticket House' has also been constructed and 'Light and Sound Show' upgraded.

The area (70 per cent) which was transferred yesterday by the Ministry of Defence/Army Headquarters to the Ministry of Tourism and Culture/Archaeological Survey of India, would be planned for taking proper conservation and restoration measures. For undertaking necessary work in this regard, a high-level Advisory Committee has been constituted and further action in the matter is in hand.

Promotion of wild life tourism

2290. SHRISURENDRALATH: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a vast scope to promote wild life tourism in the country particularly in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in that regard during the last three years;

(c) the amount spent thereon in various projects/schemes; and

(d) what are the details thereof, State-wise and year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir. National Policy 2002 has emphasized the great potential of Wild Life Tourism in the country including Orissa. Govt, of Orissa with Central financial assistance have upgraded and created tourist facilities like accommodation, boats etc. at strategic Wild Life Centres at Simlipal (Wild Life Sanctuary), Nandankanan (Biological Zoo), Bhittarakanika and Chilka. They have also introduced Package Tours and another Wild Life Centre namely Chandaka Elephant Sanctuary near Bhubaneshwar.

(b) The Department of Tourism has sanctioned various tourism projects including those for development of Wildlife Tourism.

(c) and (d) The Tourism projects sanctioned State-wise and year-wise for the last three years are given in the list in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise Tourism Projects Sanctioned during the year 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-3.

(Rs. in Lakhs)

		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	
ST. No.	State/UT	No. of Project Sancd.	Amount Sancd.	No. of Project Sancd.	Amount Sancd.	No. of Project Sancd.	Amount Sancd.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	13	299.50	6	16785	2	507.50
2.	Assam	12	338.35	7	397.50	9	768.13
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	6	49.75	14	321.90	5	41.30
4.	Bihar	13	324.48	1	1.35	8	505.00
5.	Chattisgarh	4	120.28	3	35.00	9	308.00
6.	Goa	10	93.30	9	93.73	1	0.50
7.	Gujarat	18	469.20	11	305.50	2	197.12
8.	Haryana	6	123.31	7	125.44	8	332.25
9.	Himachal Pradesh	19	397.29	12	157.64	30	779.32

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10. J&K	12	474.93	3	65.50	3	94.38
11. Jharkhand	6	206.49	2	80.00	0	0
12. Karnataka	19	489.30	8	254.76	6	902.49
13. Kerala	14	717.60	11	680.08	11	861.36
14. Madhya Pradesh	12	262.22	11	256.37	18	711.18
15. Maharashtra	10	282.69	10	1128.20	8	623.46
16. Manipur	18	782.77	0	0.00	2	5.24
17. Meghalaya	5	105.59	5	87.87	3	70.35
18. Mizoram	14	311.19	6	73.25	6	141.16
19. Nagaland	8	156.53	5	41.54	5	360.50
20. Orissa	4	156.94	4	38.05	2	47.50
21. Punjab	6	203.50	3	17.50	3	23.00
22. Rajasthan	22	454.96	2	5.00	13	1098.70
23. Sikkim	32	395.62	5	108.83	13	346.24
24. Tamil Nadu	9	122.83	20	533.67	5	559.00
25. Tripura	12	333.23	5	114.40	5	216.13
26. Uttaranchal	7	70.19	3	65.51	3	548.00
27. Uttar Pradesh	18	423.74	5	55.74	3	295.00
28. West Bengal	22	425.49	17	229.85	5	201.10
29. Andaman and Nicobar	1	1.78	0	0.00	0	0
30. Chandigarh	5	22.13	2	8.00	3	7.75
31. Dadar Nagar Haveli	1	8.00	1	3.70	2	8.07
32. Delhi	2	17.70	6	55.01	14	504.00
33. Daman and Diu	0	0.00	1	5.00	3	49.50
34. Lakshadweep	0	0.00	1	17.00	0	0
35. Pondicherry	3	26.18	3	78.61	2	7.87
TOTAL	363	8667.17	209	5609.35	212	11121.10